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Laura L. Elsberg et al.

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For:

DISPOSABLE ABSORBENT ARTICLES HAVING A FIT PANEL

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#### REQUEST

1. Applicant requests that the abandonment in this case be withdrawn.

#### PROMPTNESS OF THIS SUBMISSION

This information is being submitted promptly after applicant has learned of the abandonment on the basis of:

[x] the Notice of Abandonment mailed by the PTO on May 17, 2002

[ ] applicant's own procedures in monitoring the progress of this case.

#### SUBMISSION

2. Submitted herewith is:

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#### STATEMENT

- 3. Attached hereto is a statement attesting to the timely transmission of the correspondence referred to above based on:
  - [X] personal knowledge
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- 4. Please proceed with further examination of this application on the basis of:
- [ ] The original papers filed, which have now reached the appropriate area of the PTO.

#### AND/OR

[X] The attached copy of the papers originally filed.

#### REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF ABANDONMENT

5. Acknowledgement of the active status of this application is respectfully requested.

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